POLICY NO. OHS011 (Previously #92)  JEWELLERY

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Rationale:

Some forms of jewellery pose potential health, safety and school image problems. These types of jewellery are not to be worn at school, or have limitations placed upon the wearing of them.

Aims:

- To provide clear directions regarding the wearing of jewellery to school.
- To provide an environment that is safe, healthy and positively promotes the school’s image to the wider community.

Implementation:

- This policy forms part of, and is to be read in conjunction with, the school’s Uniform Policy.
- Issues of jewellery being worn by students are fundamentally about health and safety.
- This policy was formed after extensive consultation with parents, students, and staff.
- As a result, the following restrictions exist whilst at school or whilst involved in school related activities:
  1. Ear studs or sleeper earrings may be worn unless required by a physical education staff member to be removed or covered.
  2. Earrings that ‘dangle’ or hang from the ear or spacers may not be worn at any time.
  3. Rings, studs, or piercings on any other part of the visible body must not be worn at any time.
  4. Rings, bracelets and necklaces with the exception of medical alerts and fundraising bands must not be worn.
  5. Watches may be worn, but may be required to be removed for sport or physical education lessons
  6. Approved sunglasses may be worn during recess or lunch breaks, or may be worn on approved excursions but remain the responsibility of the student at all times.

- Parents seeking exemptions to the Jewellery policy due to religious beliefs, ethnic or cultural background or similar must apply in writing to the Principal.

EVALUATION:

This policy will be reviewed as part of the school’s three-year review cycle, and will involve input from staff, parents and students.